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Gospel: John 9:1-38

June 6, 2021 – Sunday of the Blindman

Acts: 16:16-34

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

Sunday, June 6, Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, June 10, Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m. Feast of the Ascension of Christ

**Saturday, June 12, Sacrament of Holy Matrimony 12:00 p.m. Mary Elizabeth Schlasta
& Christopher Bartschi**

Sunday, June 13, Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

BBQ Chicken & Rib Dinner will be held on Saturday, June 26 at St. Michael's Center from 1-5p.m.
BBQ Chicken Dinner \$13.00 & BBQ Rib Dinner \$15.00 sponsored by St. Michael's Center & Windsor Inn

A Special thank you to Laura Piwowarski for selling the BBQ tickets this morning. During the week,
please call Ruth for tickets at 570-876-1456.

Church Committee & St. Michael's Center & Windsor Inn Meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, June 7th, 5:30 p.m. Please make every effort to attend!

A Special Thank You to Lydia Given for directing our Church choir this morning. Congratulations to Seminarian Brad Given who will be entering into his final year at St. Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary in the fall of this year and he has agreed to be our summer intern.

Wedding Banns: Mary Elizabeth Schlasta, daughter of Dave and Susan Schlasta and Christopher Bartschi, Jr. son of Christopher Bartschi will be united in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony on Saturday, June 12 at 12:00 p.m. (Third Reading)

The Feast of the Ascension of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be held on this Thursday, June 10, at the 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy.

The Great Feast of Pentecost will be held on Sunday, June 20, at the 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy. Parastas at St. Michael's Church Cemetery at 1:00 p.m. Please submit names of your departed family members you want remembered for Green Sunday.

Father's Day will be held on Pentecost Sunday, June 20. Please submit the names of living and departed fathers you would like to be remembered at the Divine Liturgy.

Please remember in your prayers: Peter Senio who is recovering from surgery at the Regional Hospital in Scranton, Pa. 746 Jefferson Ave 18510 Rm. 605. **Please send Peter a get-well card.**

Please note: The water at our St. Michael's Church Cemetery has been turned on for the season. Please be careful by turning off the water after being used. May our Lord give eternal rest to our departed Church family.

In order to meet our growing financial obligations, we are asking all our parishioners, when not in Church to send in their weekly offering envelopes. **We thank you in advance!**

If your Church Dues are in arrears, please make an effort to send them to the Church as we began the New Year. The Annual dues are **\$160.00** per year. Please call Gloria Shaw at 570-954-3905 to get your balance. **May our Lord Jesus Christ continue to bless you for many years!**

Feast of the Ascension of Christ: "And with Christ, man's nature ascends also.

"We who seemed unworthy of the earth, are now raised to heaven," says Saint John Chrysostom. "We who were unworthy of earthly dominion have been raised to the Kingdom on high, have ascended higher than heaven, have come to occupy the King's throne, and the same nature from which the angels guarded Paradise, stopped not until it ascended to the throne of the Lord." By His Ascension the Lord not only opened to man the entrance to heaven, not only appeared before the face of God on our behalf and for our sake, but likewise "transferred man" to the high places. "He honored them He loved by putting them close to the Father." God quickened and raised us together with Christ, as Saint Paul says, "and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus" (Ephes. 2:6). Heaven received the inhabitants of the earth. "The First fruits of them that slept" sits now on high, and in Him all creation is summed up and bound together. "The earth rejoices in mystery, and the heavens are filled with joy."